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FOR THE PRESIDENT
STATE FOR HABIB, COOPER
PASS DOT (BUTCHMAN, KAMM), WHITE HOUSE (JOHNSTON)
PARIS FOR DOT SEC ADAMS AND ASST SEC DAVENPORT
FROM AMBASSADOR ALAN BOYD

E.O. 11652:GDS
TAGS: EAIR, UK
SUBJECT: US-UK CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS: STATUS

1. WE HAVE MET CONTINUOUSLY FOR THREE WEEKS IN EFFORT
TO REACH AGREEMENT ON "HEARTLAND" ISSUES FOR NEW AIR
SERVICES BILATERAL BETWEEN US, UK. MOVEMENT HAS BEEN
SLOW, DESPITE UNDERSTANDING THAT JUNE 2-3 WOULD BE
WATERSHED PERIOD, AS DELEGATIONS WOULD NEED TO ASSESS
THEN LIKELIHOOD OF REACHING AGREEMENT BY JUNE 22.

2. IN EFFORT TO CLEAR LOGJAM, I OFFERED WHAT IS
ESSENTIALLY BOTTOM LINE US POSITION AT BEGINNING OF THIS
WEEK. UK DID NOT RESPOND IN KIND; INSTEAD TERMED US
PROPOSALS INADEQUATE, SAYING THEY WOULD PUT UK IN
INTOLERABLE SITUATION. I VIEW THIS RESPONSE SIMPLY AS
NEGOTIATING POSTURE. MY ASSESSMENT IS THAT UK PURPOSE
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IS TO PROLONG TALKS, AVOID BREAK-OFF, AND HOPE FOR
CONTINUED US CONCESSIONS UP UNTIL JUNE 22.

3. WE ARE MAKING CLEAR OUR DETERMINATION NOT TO YIELD
ON ESSENTIAL COMPETITIVE ELEMENTS OF LEAVING CAPACITY
DETERMINATION TO AIRLINES (WITH RESTRAINT MECHANISMS
TO GUARD AGAINST EXCESS CAPACITY); ABILITY OF US TO

HAVE 2 AIRLINES TO LONDON FROM AT LEAST 2 US CITIES
(PRESENTLY WE COULD HAVE MORE THAN ONE AIRLINE FROM ALL
10 US CITIES TO LONDON; UK WANTS TO HAVE 2 US COMPETI-
TORS ONLY AT NEW YORK) AND BEYOND RIGHTS SUFFICIENT FOR
MAINTENANCE OF ECONOMICALLY VIABLE, APPROPRIATELY
EXTENSIVE US INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AIR TRANSPORT SYSTEM.

4. MY UK COUNTERPART TODAY INDICATED SUBSTANTIAL UK
ACCEPTANCE OF US POSITIONS, SAID HE COULD GUARANTEE THAT
THERE WILL BE NO POLITICAL CRISIS OVER AIR SERVICE
AGREEMENT. HE SAID WE WILL HAVE AN AGREEMENT.

5. BASED ON SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS INDICATED TODAY, I
BELIEVE USDEL SHOULD REMAIN IN LONDON TO CONTINUE NEGOT-
IATIONS AFTER SHORT BREAK FOR UK CELEBRATION OF QUEEN'S
JUBILEE, AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED. I BELIEVE WE WILL
REACH AGREEMENT FAIR TO BOTH SIDES BY JUNE 22.

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